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U.S. Patent No. 5,387,463 A corresponds to JP Provisional Publication No. 6-18706 cited at page 2, lines 5-8 of the present specification. U.S. Patent No. 5,568,290 A corresponds to JP Provisional Publication No. 7-191217 cited at page 1, lines 22-26 of the present specification. U.S. Patent No. 5,583,679 A corresponds to JP Provisional Publication No. 8-50206 cited at page 1, lines 22-26 of the present specification. U.S. Patent No. 6,111,699 A corresponds to JP Provisional Publication No. 11-160505 cited at page 2, lines 10-13 of the present specification. U.S. Patent No. 6,164,785 A corresponds to JP Provisional Publication No. 10-20103 cited at page 2, lines 5-8 of the present specification.

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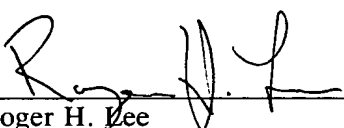
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